

Emergency Declaration 08-03  
Effective June 05, 2008 at 4:00 p.m. Central Time through  
June 09, 2008 at 12:00 p.m. Central Time

In response to continued effects of storms and flooding, the Missouri Department of Transportation has issued an emergency declaration to waive certain state and federal regulations for carriers who participate in emergency relief efforts.

While this declaration is in effect, participating carriers offering relief by transporting agricultural commodities away from the affected areas:

- Who haul overweight/over-dimension loads may benefit from the waiver while under load.

**Must carry a copy of this declaration in the vehicle while operating in response to relief efforts.**

NONE of the emergency provisions apply to carriers who are not directly involved in emergency relief efforts.

Carriers must read and understand the attached emergency declaration. In the event this note contradicts any information in the declaration, the declaration language shall rule.

## EMERGENCY DECLARATION 08-03

WHEREAS, due to storms and flooding conditions in the counties of Atchison, Nodaway, and Holt Counties of the State of Missouri, which have caused flooding and road closures, and other hardships; and

WHEREAS, Matt Blunt, Governor of the State of Missouri, issued Executive Order 07-01 on January 2, 2007, and extended this order on December 29, 2007 with Executive Order 0738, which authorizes the Director of the Missouri Department of Transportation (hereinafter, MoDOT), or the Director's designee, to issue Emergency Declarations for the limited purpose of temporarily suspending certain usual and necessary federal and state laws, regulations and administrative rules for commercial motor vehicles and drivers while they are transporting property to assist in the emergency relief efforts during the emergency; and

WHEREAS, Pete K. Rahn, MoDOT Director, issued a Memorandum on January 4, 2008, delegating the authority to Jan Skouby, MoDOT Motor Carrier Services Director, to issue such Emergency Declarations for the limited purpose of suspending certain federal and state laws, regulations and administrative rules for commercial motor vehicle and drivers while they are transporting property to assist in the emergency relief efforts during the emergency; and

NOW THEREFORE, I, JAN SKOUBY, MOTOR CARRIER SERVICES DIRECTOR FOR MODOT, by virtue of the authority delegated to me by Director Rahn under Executive Order 07-01 and Executive Order 07-38, hereby declare that I acknowledge the existence of a state of emergency in the State of Missouri, as a result of the severe weather conditions described above; and

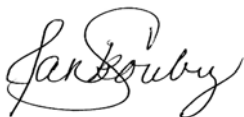
WHEREAS, the safety and welfare of the citizens of the aforementioned State require that operators of commercial motor vehicles upon the public highways within Missouri who are rendering assistance to the emergency efforts within the affected State should be allowed more rapid and efficient travel to meet this emergency need for transportation of passengers and property; and

WHEREAS, I authorize commercial motor vehicles to operate within the counties of Atchison, Nodaway, and Holt, State of Missouri, with a gross vehicle weight up to and including 90,000 pounds, but only in compliance with the following conditions:

When traveling on any bridge the commercial motor vehicle shall reduce speed to no more than 20 miles per hour, shall drive on the center line of the bridge, and another motor vehicle which is actively displaying emergency flashers shall operate across the bridge immediately before the commercial motor vehicle crosses the bridge. **Nothing in this declaration authorizes overweight or overdimension loaded commercial motor vehicles to cross load posted bridges;** and

FURTHER, I direct that this Emergency Declaration shall become effective at 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, June 05, 2008, and shall continue in effect until 12:00 p.m. on Monday, June 09, 2008, unless extended in whole or in part by a subsequent emergency declaration.

Executed this 5th day of June, 2008.



Jan Skouby, Director Motor Carrier Services Division Missouri Department of Transportation Jefferson City, Missouri